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## Harris County Boil Water Notice for the General Public

**Houston** –Due to the ongoing arctic storm across the state of Texas, Harris County is issuing a boil water notice for residents living in various areas. There have been multiple power and water outages, which could lead to possible contamination of water. Under the provisions of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ), we are notifying the following areas that you need to boil your water prior to consumption due to possible contamination.

## **Boil Water Notice Areas**

- 1. City of Baytown
- 2. Harris County FWSD 1A
- 3. Harris County FWSD 1B
- 4. Harris County FWSD 45
- 5. NW Harris County MUD 19
- 6. Harris County FWSD 27
- 7. Country Terrace
- 8. Harris County WCID 1
- 9. Lake MUD
- 10. Harris County 213A
- 11. Spring Meadows MUD
- 12. Cedar Bayou Park
- 13. Terranova West MUD
- 14. Louetta Road UD
- 15. Tattor Road MUD
- 16. Harris County MUD 189
- 17. North Forest MUD
- 18. Oakmont PUD
- 19. P and B Water
- 20. Brandywine Pines
- 21. Brandywine Oaks
- 22. 2920 West Subdivision
- 23. Southwest Harris County Mud 1
- 24. Harris County WCID Fondren Rd
- 25. Harris County MUD 565
- 26. City of Tomball
- 27. Hunter Place Water System
- 28. Mount Houston Square
- 29. Harris County MUD 50

To ensure destruction of all harmful bacteria and other microbes, water for drinking, mixing baby formula, cooking, and making ice should be boiled and cooled prior to use.

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## Recommendations

Disinfect water used for drinking (including for your pets), cooking, brushing teeth, rinsing contact lenses, shaving and making ice. Use <u>one</u> of the following methods:

- Boiling. Boil water for two (2) minutes after it reaches a full rolling boil.
- Chlorine Bleach. Use only unscented liquid chlorine bleach. If water is clear, add 2 drops of bleach per quart of water (8 drops per gallon). If water is cloudy, add 4 drops of bleach per quart of water (16 drops per gallon). Mix well and let stand 30 minutes before using.
- Purification Tablets. These are available at drug stores or camping outlets.
  Follow the directions on the package. If tablets are over a year old, replace them or throw them away.
- Bottled water. Use only water from bottles that have a sealed top.

Continue disinfecting the water until you are notified the water is safe again! When it is no longer necessary to boil the water, the water system officials will notify you that the water is safe for consumption. Instructions to discontinue boiling will be issued in the same manner as this notice.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please call (713) 274-6300. Continue to visit ReadyHarris.org and hcphtx.org for ongoing updates and information.

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